

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Amendment

In the specification

Please replace paragraph 1, beginning on line 1 of page 9 of the specification with the following paragraph.

C. Penetration Enhancers

Penetration enhancers are frequently used to promote transdermal delivery of drugs across the skin, in particular across the stratum corneum. Some penetration enhancers cause dermal irritation, dermal toxicity and dermal allergies. However, the more commonly used ones include urea, (carbonyldiamide), imidurea, N, N-diethylformamide, N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone ~~N-methyl-2-pyrrolidine~~, 1-dodecal-azacycloheptane-2-one, calcium thioglycate, 2-pyrrolidone-2-pyrrolidine, N,N-diethyl-m-toluamide, oleic acid and its ester derivatives, such as methyl, ethyl, propyl, isopropyl, butyl, vinyl and glycerylmonooleate, sorbitan esters, such as sorbitan monolaurate and sorbitan monooleate, other fatty acid esters such as isopropyl laurate, isopropyl myristate, isopropyl palmitate, diisopropyl adipate, propylene glycol monolaurate, propylene glycol monooleate and non-ionic detergents such as Brij[®] 76 (stearyl poly(10 oxyethylene ether), Brij[®] 78 (stearyl poly(20)oxyethylene ether), Brij[®] 96 (oleyl poly(10)oxyethylene ether), and Brij[®] 721 (stearyl poly (21) oxyethylene ether) (ICI Americas Inc. Corp.).